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TOWN OF ROCKLAND

Board of Selectmen

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Michael P. Johnson Larry J. Ryan Korey M. Welch

Town Administrator: Allan R. Chiocca

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Open Session MINUTES of February 17, 2015

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Tuesday, February 17, 2015 @ 7 p.m.
H. BERNARD MONAHAN MEMORIAL ROOM
TOWN HALL, 242 UNION STREET
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE MOS

Chairman Kimball read:

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1. OPEN FORUM

Building Inspector Ruble updated the BOS on the extent of his efforts regarding the recent snowstorms. Rockland has been hit hard by repeated storms and have had a number of roof collapses. The Building Inspector has also been inspecting the roofs of all Municipal buildings.

Fire Chief Duffey updated the BOS regarding overtime and asked for help cleaning out all fire hydrants. He also discussed the need for cleaning vents and checking for leaks near electrical boxes.

Highway Superintendent Corvi spoke regarding the lack of available salt. He thanked every department for the support of all the Highway department efforts.

School Superintendent Retchless spoke regarding the efforts to make sure the schools were safe.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- 2. Application to the Rent Control Board Vacancy- Dianne Molineux
 - ~MOTION to approve by Mr. Chaffee, 2nd by Mr. Ryan passed 5-0.
- 3. Business license request-Nostalgia Games
 - ~MOTION to approve by Mr. Ryan, 2nd by Mr. Welch passed 5-0.
- 4. State Representative David DeCoste-Legislative update

Representative DeCoste discussed the 40B legislation and his desire to include Mobile Homes in the affordable housing counts in communities. He praised the efforts of the National Guard during the storms. He feels Local Aid will be level funded. He also is trying to monitor the MBTA failures during the current storm situation and hopes to support reforms.

The BOS shared their various concerns with State Representative.

The BOS thanked the Representative for appearing before the Board.

SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman Kimball read:

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- Mr. Welch -Appreciated the good work by the Highway Department handling all the snow. He also wished new State Representative DeCoste well.
- Mr. Ryan -Asked anyone who could help out clearing hydrants to do so.
- Mr. Johnson -Thanked Highway Superintendent Corvi for the great job the department does on the roads. Please co-operate with the snowplow drivers. Please be careful in the snow conditions.
- Mr. Chaffee -Please be careful and thanked all the Town Departments for their efforts.

Mr. Kimball -He asked residents to be patience and thanked them for their help. He also appreciated all the efforts of the Town departments during the storms. He also wished his Dad a Happy 75th Birthday.

~MOTION to adjourn by Mr. Ryan, second by Mr. Johnson passed 5-0.

Allan R. Chiocca

Town Administrator

Edward F. Kimball, Chairman for the Rockland Board of Selectmen

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.